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§9–2201.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) “Expanded polystyrene” means blown polystyrene and expanded and extruded foams that are thermoplastic petrochemical materials utilizing a styrene monomer and processed by a number of techniques, including fusion of polymer spheres (expandable bead polystyrene), injection molding, foam molding, and extrusion–blow molding (extruded foam polystyrene).

(c) (1) “Expanded polystyrene food service product” means a product made of expanded polystyrene that is:

- (i) Used for selling or providing food or beverages; and
- (ii)
 - 1. Intended by the manufacturer to be used once for eating or drinking; or
 - 2. Generally recognized by the public as an item to be discarded after one use.

(2) “Expanded polystyrene food service product” includes:

- (i) Food containers;
- (ii) Plates;
- (iii) Hot and cold beverage cups;
- (iv) Trays; and
- (v) Cartons for eggs or other food.

(3) “Expanded polystyrene food service product” does not include:

- (i) Food or beverages that have been packaged in expanded polystyrene containers before receipt by a food service business;
- (ii) A product made of expanded polystyrene that is used to package raw, uncooked, or butchered meat, fish, poultry, or seafood;

(iii) Nonfoam polystyrene food service products; or

(iv) 1. Cartons for eggs that are made of expanded polystyrene that are shipped into the State for packaging; or

2. Cartons of eggs that have been packaged within the State for sale within the State.

(d) (1) “Food service business” means a business in the State that sells or provides food or beverages for consumption on or off the premises.

(2) “Food service business” includes a business or institutional cafeteria, including a cafeteria operated by or on behalf of the State or a local government.

(e) “School” includes:

(1) A public elementary or secondary school;

(2) A nonpublic elementary or secondary school; and

(3) An institution of higher education, as defined in § 10–101(h) of the Education Article.

(f) “Unit of county government” includes:

(1) A local health department; or

(2) A local environmental department.

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